

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PDIP, PN, US, BE  
SUBJECT: BELGIAN MESSAGE ON THE PANAMA CANAL TREATIES

REF: STATE 215193

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT CARTER FROM BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER TINDEMANS SENT THROUGH THE BELGIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. THE TEXT WAS RELEASED TO THE PRESS BY FOREIGN MINISTRY PRESS SPOKESMAN AT SEPTEMBER 7 PRESS BRIEFING. BELGIAN GOVERNMENT HAS NO OBJECTION TO OUR MAKING PUBLIC TEXT OF TINDEMANS MESSAGE.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

A MONSIEUR JIMMY CARTER, PRESIDENT DES ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE.

IL M'EST PARTICULIEREMENT AGREABLE DE VOUS EXPRIMER TOUTE LA SATISFACTION DU GOUVERNEMENT BELGE A L'OCCASION DE LA SIGNATURE DES TRAITES DE PANAMA.

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JE ME REJOUIS DE POUVOIR VOUS LE REITERER DE VIVE VOIX PROCHAINEMENT.

LEO TINDEMANS  
PREMIER MINISTRE DE BELGIQUE

END TEXT. CHAMBERS

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## Message Attributes

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